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SUBJECT: OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY, MAY 8-19, 1975

REF: A. STATE 95203 B. BRASILIA 3359

1. OFFICIAL ON FOREIGN MINISTER'S STAFF HAS PROVIDED US FOLLOWING
POINTS AS MINISTER'S INFORMAL THOUGHTS ON WHAT TOPICS
MIGHT BE OF MOST INTEREST FOR INFORMAL CONVERSATIONS:
A. REFORM OF INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM, INCLUDING WHAT TO DO
WITH SPECIAL COMMITTEE, RIO TREATY, AND WHAT SHOULD BE CHARACTER
OF OAS GA:
B. FUTURE STEPS IN THE NEW DIALOGUE:
C. ELECTION OF NEW SECRETARY GENERAL:
D. U.S. TRADE ACT:
E. CUBA:
F. PANAMA CANAL.

2. OFFICIALS STRESSED THAT BRAZIL WAS MAINTAINING OPEN POSITION
WITH REGARD TO WHAT TOPICS SHOULD BE DISCUSSED, AND NOTED THAT
SO FAR BRAZIL HAD NEITHER HEARD WHAT OTHERS WERE PARTICULARLY
INTERESTED IN, NOR WAS PUSHING ANY SPECIAL TOPICS.

3. OFFICIAL ALSO NOTED THAT MINISTRY HAD BEEN INFORMED BY
PERUVIAN EMBASSY HERE THAT LUNCHEON TO BE HELD MAY 7 AT PERUVIAN
EMBASSY WASHINGTON FOR MINISTERS TO DISCUSS QUESTION
OF WHAT TOPICS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DURING INFORMAL CONVERSATIONS.

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4. OFFICIAL ADDED BRAZIL CONSIDERED THAT OCCASION WOULD BE GOOD

OPPORTUNITY FOR LA MINISTERS TO DISCUSS SELA, AND RETIERATED
BRAZILIAN POSITION THAT MAY MEETING ON SELA CALLED FOR BY
ECHEVERRIA AND PEREZ WAS PREMATURE IN THAT MORE TIME NEEDED
FOR STUDY BEFORE SUBSTANTIVE MEETING COULD FRUITFULLY BE HELD
(SEE BRASILIA 3290). THUS, BRAZIL THOUGHT THAT LA MINISTERS IN
WASHINGTON FOR OAS GA SHOULD LIMIT DISCUSSION ON SELA TO QUESTION
OF SETTING FUTURE DATE FOR SUBSTANTIVE MEETING.
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